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ABSTRACT

The reactivities of the group 13 compounds, $R_2MCH_2PPh_2$ and R_2MPPh_2 , as amphoteric ligands to transition metals have been investigated. The ligands $R_2MCH_2PPh_2$ ($R = CH_2CMe_3$, CH_2SiMe_3 ; M = Ga, In) reacted readily with $Cr(CO)_5NMe_3$ in benzene solution to form $Cr(CO)_5[PPh_2CH_2MR_2\bullet NMe_3]$ whereas for ligands of the type R_2MPPh_2 ($R = CH_2CMe_3$, CH_2SiMe_3 ; M = Al, Ga, In), only the two aluminum compounds and $(Me_3CCH_2)_2GaPPh_2$ formed isolable products of the type $Cr(CO)_5[PPh_2MR_2\bullet NMe_3]$. However, the gallium and indium ligands with trimethylsilylmethyl substituents $(Me_3SiCH_2)_2MPPh_2$ reacted with NEt_4M_T ($CO)_5Cl$ ($M_T = Cr$, Mo, W) to form products of the type NEt_4M_T ($CO)_5[PPh_2MR_2Cl]$. All new compounds were characterized by their physical properties, C and CH_2SiMe_3 and CH_2SiMe_3 compounds were characterized by their physical properties, CH_2SiMe_3 and CH_2SiMe_3 compounds were characterized by the intentity of $CH_2CH_2Ga(CH_2CMe_3)_2\bullet NMe_3$ was characterized by an CH_2CH_3 and CH_3CH_3 was characterized by an CH_3CH_3 and CH_3CH_3 was characterized by an CH_3CH_3 structural study.

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Compounds of the type R_2MER_2' (M = group 13 element, E = group 15 element) are amphoteric and have the potential to be ligands to transition metals. The goal of such a $compound^1 \ was \ realized \ when \ Cr(CO)_5[PPh_2Al(CH_2SiMe_3)_2 \bullet NMe_3] \ was \ prepared \ from$ Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ and(Me₃SiCH₂)₂AlPPh₂ in benzene and was fully characterized. The preparative reaction was surprisingly slow at room temperature as significant quantities of product were not observed by NMR spectroscopy until after approximately 9 h of reaction time had elapsed after 2M solutions of reactants had been combined. When the potential amphoteric ligand was Et₂AlPPh₂, no transition metal derivative was formed¹. The difference in reactivity between the two amphoteric ligands was attributed to their different degrees of association in solution. The compound (Me₃SiCH₂)₂AlPPh₂ exists as a monomer-dimer equilibrium mixture² in benzene solution whereas Et₂AlPPh₂ is a dimer^{2,3}. As more examples of aluminum-, gallium- and indium-phosphorus derivatives with different degrees of association and with different types of bonding are now available, additional reactions with Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ have been investigated. These main-group amphoteric compounds have also been reacted with $NEt_4M_T(CO)_5X$ ($M_T = Cr$, Mo, W; X = Cl, Br) in benzene in order to learn more about their reactivity patterns.

The potential ligands with the empirical formulas (Me₃CCH₂)₂AlPPh₂⁴, (Me₃SiCH₂)₂GaPPh₂⁵, (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaPPh₂⁵, (Me₃SiCH₂)₂InPPh₂⁶, and (Me₃CCH₂)₂InPPh₂^{5,6} were combined with Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ in benzene. However, only two of these compounds reacted to form the isolable products, Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Al(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃] and Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃]. These two new transition metal derivatives were

$$1/2 [(Me_3CCH_2)_2MPPh_2]_2 + Cr(CO)_5NMe_3 \rightarrow Cr(CO)_5[PPh_2M(CH_2CMe_3)_2 \bullet NMe_3]$$
 (1)
 $M = Al, Ga$

characterized by their physical properties, C and H analyses, and their ¹H and ³¹P NMR and IR spectra. A comparison of the spectral data for these new compounds with that previously observed for Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Al(CH₂SiMe₃)₂•NMe₃], a compound which had been characterized by X-ray crystallography¹, confirmed the identity of the new products. It is noteworthy that even though (Me₃CCH₂)₂AlPPh₂ exists as a dimer in benzene solution⁴ according to cryoscopic molecular weight studies, it is significantly more reactive with Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ than is (Me₃SiCH₂)₂AlPPh₂, a monomer-dimer equilibrium mixture.² Furthermore, (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaPPh₂ is also a dimer⁵ and is reactive with Cr(CO)₅NMe₃, while (Me₃SiCH₂)₂GaPPh₂⁵, (Me₃CCH₂)₂InPPh₂^{5,6}, and (Me₃SiCH₂)₂InPPh₂⁶ are monomer-dimer equilibrium mixtures in benzene solutions and are unreactive. These observations suggest that the Lewis acidity of the main group moiety is more important than is the degree of association. The group 13 moiety apparently ties up the trimethylamine so that the phosphorus can react with the transition metal.

Another class of group 13-15 compounds which we have previously prepared and fully characterized and which can function as an amphoteric ligand to a transition metal is $R_2MCH_2PPh_2$. All four of the compounds which were investigated (M = Ga, In; R = CH_2CMe_3 , CH_2SiMe_3)⁷ reacted readily with $Cr(CO)_5NMe_3$ to form compounds of the type $Cr(CO)_5[PPh_2CH_2MR_2•NMe_3]$. Even though these potential ligands are dimers in benzene

solution, all were more reactive than was (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaPPh₂. For example, when [(Me₃CCH₂)₂GaCH₂PPh₂]₂ was combined with excess Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ in benzene at 20° C, reaction was complete in 30 h whereas when the reactant was (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaPPh₂, the ratio of product to reactant was estimated by ¹H NMR spectroscopy to be only 4.5 to 1 after 47 h. The general trend for the reactivity of the R₂MCH₂PPh₂ species follows the relative Lewis acidity of the group 13 moiety with (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaCH₂PPh₂ being the most reactive of the four compounds studied whereas (Me₃SiCH₂)₂InCH₂PPh₂ was least reactive. There are two possible reasons for the increased Lewis acidity and, in turn, the increased reactivity of R₂MCH₂PPh₂ in comparison with that for R₂MPPh₂. The insertion of the methylene group between the group 13 metal and phosphorus reduces the steric bulk around both the Lewis acid and base sites in the ligand and also eliminates any possibility for pi-bonding between the group 13 metal and phosphorus.

Recrystallization of Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂CH₂Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃] from a saturated pentane solution at -25° C afforded crystallographic quality crystals. The crystal consisted of discrete molecular units. There were no abnormally close contacts in the unit cell. The labelling of the atoms is given in Figure 1 and the significant interatomic bond distances and angles are listed in Table 1. The Cr-P bond distance is 2.409(1)Å, which is shorter than the corresponding distance in Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Al(CH₂SiMe₃)₂•NMe₃]¹ of 2.482(1)Å and in Cr(CO)₅PPh₃⁸ of 2.422(1)Å but longer than the distance in Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂(CH₂)₄OAl(CH₂SiMe₃)₂•NMe₃]⁹ of 2.383(6)Å. The Ga-N distance of 2.235(3)Å is similar to that observed for the trineopentylgallium-amine adduct¹⁰, Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₃•NMe₂C₂H₄NMe₂•Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₃ (2.241(9)Å), but longer than the distances observed for other trimethylgallium-amine adducts, 2.139(17)Å and 2.138(9)Å for the

trimethylgallium-utropine adducts, 11 Me $_3$ Ga $^{\bullet}$ C $_6$ H $_{12}$ N $_4$ and (Me $_3$ Ga) $_2$ $^{\bullet}$ C $_6$ H $_{12}$ N $_4$, respectively, and 2.012(4)Å for Me $_3$ Ga $^{\bullet}$ NH $_2$ (t-Bu). 12 Another noteworthy feature of the structure of Cr(CO) $_5$ [PPh $_2$ CH $_2$ Ga(CH $_2$ CMe $_3$) $_2$ $^{\bullet}$ NMe $_3$] relates to the angular relationship between the three carbon atoms and the nitrogen atom bonded to gallium. The two α - carbon atoms of the two neopentyl groups and the methylene carbon atom bonded to phosphorus have angles which are representative of distorted trigonal planar geometry rather than tetrahedral as C(6)-Ga-C(24) = $115.2(1)^{\circ}$, C(6)-Ga-C(19) = $118.8(1)^{\circ}$, and C(19)-Ga-C(24) = $119.8(1)^{\circ}$. The carbon-gallium-nitrogen angles are, in turn, smaller than the normal tetrahedral angle with N-Ga-C(6) = $95.1(1)^{\circ}$, N-Ga-C(19) = $99.3(1)^{\circ}$ and N-Ga-C(24) = $100.4(1)^{\circ}$. The angles between the six ligands around chromium are typical of a slightly distorted octahedral complex.

The reactions of (Me₃SiCH₂)₂GaPPh₂ and (Me₃SiCH₂)₂InPPh₂ with a different transition metal derivative, NEt₄M_T(CO)₅Cl (M_T = Cr, Mo, W), in benzene were also investigated and compounds of the type NEt₄M_T(CO)₅[PPh₂M(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl] were readily formed. Each of the reactions appeared to be complete within minutes of mixing the reagents as indicated by the disappearance of the initially insoluble transition metal reagent. Products were typically isolated as waxy solids or viscous oils with the exception of NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl] which was obtained as a light yellow crystalline powder in ~80% yield. The formation of NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl] is fully supported by C and H elemental analyses as well as by ¹H, ³¹P and ¹³C NMR and IR spectral data. Further confirmation of NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl] with a bond between chromium and phosphorus was obtained by investigating its reaction chemistry with HCl and MeI. When

 $NEt_4Cr(CO)_5[PPh_2In(CH_2SiMe_3)_2Cl]$ was reacted with anhydrous HCl in a 1:2 mol ratio, respectively, the isolated products were $Cr(CO)_5PPh_2H$ and $SiMe_4$ (equation 2). The product

$$NEt_{4}Cr(CO)_{5}[PPh_{2}In(CH_{2}SiMe_{3})_{2}Cl] + 2 HCl \rightarrow 2 SiMe_{4} + Cr(CO)_{5}PPh_{2}H +$$

$$"NEt_{4}InCl_{4}"$$

$$(2)$$

Cr(CO)₅PPh₂H was formed in near quantitative yield as based on ³¹P NMR spectral data but was isolated in only 69% yield. The isolated sample of Cr(CO)₅PPh₂H was identified by comparing its melting point and IR spectrum with the literature values. ¹³ The SiMe₄ was isolated in 82% yield and was identified by its ¹H NMR spectrum. No attempt was made to isolate an indium containing product. When NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl] was reacted with MeI (equation 3), the only phosphorus containing product was Cr(CO)₅PPh₂Me¹⁴

$$NEt_{4}Cr(CO)_{5}[PPh_{2}In(CH_{2}SiMe_{3})_{2}Cl] + MeI \rightarrow Cr(CO)_{5}PPh_{2}Me +$$

$$"NEt_{4}In(CH_{2}SiMe_{3})_{2}(Cl)(I)"$$

$$(3)$$

according to the ³¹P NMR spectrum of the product mixture. However, the isolated product which was thought to be Cr(CO)₅PPh₂Me was not pure. The IR spectrum of the isolated product exhibited all absorption bands expected for Cr(CO)₅PPh₂Me¹⁴ but also had an extra band at 2035 cm⁻¹, a band observed in the IR spectrum of the starting compound, NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl]. No attempt was made to isolate and characterize an

indium containing product from the reaction. It is noteworthy that a cryoscopic molecular weight study of NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl] in benzene suggested the existence of an equilibrium between very highly associated species. When the calculated concentration of the solution as based on the empirical formula was 0.0990 m, the observed degree of association was 5.99, whereas when the solution was 0.0342 m, the association was 2.69. These unusual degrees of association might serve to provide an explanation for the very large, unsolvable unit cell which was determined by the preliminary X-ray structural study of the molecule.

Experimental

All of the compounds which contain group 13 elements were extremely sensitive to oxygen and moisture and were manipulated in a standard vacuum line or in a purified argon atmosphere. All starting group 13-15 compounds and all transition metal reactants were prepared by literature methods. Solvents were dried by conventional procedures. Elemental analyses were performed by Schwarzkopf Microanalytical Laboratory, Woodside, NY. The 1 H NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHZ by using a Varian VXR-400 spectrometer or at 90 MHZ by using a Varian Model 390 spectrometer. Proton chemical shifts are reported in δ units (ppm) and are referenced to SiMe₄ at δ 0.00 and $C_{6}H_{6}$ at δ 7.15. The 31 P NMR spectra were recorded at 161.9 MHZ by using either a Varian VXR-400 spectrometer or at 109.16 MHZ by using a JEOL Model FX 270 spectrometer. Chemical shifts are referenced to 85% H_{3} PO₄ at δ 0.00. Standard abbreviations are used to report the multiplicities of the lines. All samples for NMR spectra were contained in flame-sealed NMR tubes. Infrared spectra were

recorded as solutions by using 0.5mm matched cells with NaCl windows or as Nujol mulls between KBr plates with a Perkin-Elmer 683 spectrometer. Absorption intensities are reported with standard abbreviations. Melting points were observed in sealed capillaries and are uncorrected.

Synthesis of Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Al(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃]. A flask equipped with Solv-Seal joints and a Teflon valve was charged with 0.260 g (1.04 mmol) Cr(CO)₅NMe₃, ¹⁵ 0.332 g (0.937 mmol) (Me₃CCH₂)₂AlPPh₂ and 15 mL of benzene. The resulting solution was initially yellow-orange and then lightened to pale yellow after stirring for 48 h. Then, the benzene was removed by vacuum distillation to leave a fluffy light-yellow solid. This solid was recrystallized from a 5:1 pentane/benzene mixture to give 0.100 g (0.165 mmol, 17.6% yield based on Cr(CO)₅NMe₃) of Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Al(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃] as a yellow, crystalline solid. Mp: 116-117 °C (decomp); Anal. Calcd: C, 59.50; H, 6.82. Found: C, 59.43; H, 6.99; ¹H NMR (C₆H₆, δ): 1.59 (s, 9H, NMe), 1.19 (s, 9H, CMe), 0.86 (s, 4H, CH₂); ³¹P{¹H} NMR (C₆H₆, δ): -27.9 (s); IR (ν_{CO}, cm⁻¹, Nujol mull): 2052 (m), 1980 (m), 1945 (m, sh), 1935 (vs), 1920 (s). The compound contained in a sealed vial under vacuum decomposed at room temperature over time (4 months).

Synthesis of Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃]. A 5 mm NMR tube was charged with 0.137 g (0.344 mmol) (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaPPh₂, 0.310 g (0.520 mmol) Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ and ~0.7 mL of benzene. After the mixture was warmed to ambient temperature, an orange solution was present. The ¹H and ³¹P{¹H} NMR spectra were recorded prior to and after heating the reaction mixture at 55 °C for 5 h. After 5 h at 55 °C, a yellow solution was present. Cooling of this solution to ambient temperature afforded

yellow crystals of Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃]. Mp: 132 - 138 °C (glass transition), 146 - 148 °C (decomp); IR (v_{CO} , cm⁻¹, pentane): 2063 (w), 1997 (vw), 1953 (vs), 1945 (s), 1917 (vw). Initial NMR spectrum prior to heating, 1H NMR (C_6H_6 , δ): 1.04 (s, 18 H, CMe₃), 1.22 (s, 0.7 H), 1.33 (t, ${}^{3}J_{PGaCH} = 3.6$ Hz, 3.2 H, CH₂), 1.80 (s, 10 H, $Cr-NMe_3$), 1.94 (s, 0.70H, Ga-NMe₃); $^{31}P\{^{1}H\}$ NMR (C_6H_6 , δ): 30.7 (s, 1.0), -26.0 (s, 42.7, (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaPPh₂); 1 h, 40 min at 55 °C, ¹H NMR: 1.06 (s, 2.4 H, CH₂), 1.13 (s, 18 H), 1.22 (s), 1.72 (s, 7.9 H, Cr-NMe₃), 1.80 (s, 2.0 H, Ga-NMe₃); ³¹P{¹H} NMR: 30.7 (s, 0.59), -18.3 (s, 15.8, Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃], -26.0 (s, 1.0, (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaPPh₂)). Additional ³¹P NMR resonances of very low intensity at 0.5, 27.9, 30.7, 33.2 and 43.3 ppm were observed but could not be identified. The ratio of the intensity of the most intense line at 30.7 ppm relative to the lines at -18.3 ppm and -26.0 ppm was 1.00: 1.7: 26.9, respectively. 5 h at 55 °C, ¹H NMR: 1.05 (s, 2.1 H, CH₂), 1.13 (s, 18 H), 1.23 (s), 1.70 (s, 7.8 H, Cr-NMe₃), 1.80 (s, 2.5 H, Ga-NMe₃). $^{31}P\{^{1}H\}$ NMR: 30.7 (s, 0.04), -18.3 (s, 22.8, Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃]). The low intensity resonances at 0.5, 27.9 30.7, 33.2 and 43.3 ppm were still present but with little change in intensity from the previous spectrum.

Synthesis of Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂CH₂Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃]. A flask equipped with a Teflon valve was charged with 0.576 g (1.26 mmol) (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaCH₂PPh₂, 0.456 g (1.82 mmol) Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ and 15 mL benzene. The initial mixture, an orange solution with a colorless precipitate, was heated at 60 °C with stirring for 3.5 h to form a clear yellow solution. The benzene was removed by vacuum distillation to leave a light-yellow oil. This oil was heated at 60 °C for 15 h with continuous evacuation and then 30 mL pentane was

added by vacuum distillation. The resulting light-yellow solution was stirred for \sim 30 min and the pentane was removed by vacuum distillation and discarded. This procedure of adding and removing pentane was repeated 3 times until a pale yellow solid with only a trace of oil remained. Evacuation for another 18 h was followed by the addition of 45 mL pentane and heating with a warm water bath. The resulting mixture was filtered with a coarse frit to remove a colorless precipitate and leave a yellow solution. Cooling of the solution to -25 °C afforded pale yellow crystals of $Cr(CO)_5[PPh_2CH_2Ga(CH_2CMe_3)_2\bullet NMe_3]$ (0.330 g, 0.498 mmol, 39.4 % yield based on $(Me_3CCH_2)_2GaCH_2PPh_2$). These crystals were suitable for the X-ray structural study. Mp: 95.0 - 96.5 °C. 1H NMR (C_6H_6, δ) : 0.55 (s, 4H, -CH₂-), 0.96 (s, 18H, -CMe₃), 1.58(s, 6H, NMe₃), 1.71 (s, 2H, -CH₂P-). $^{31}P\{^1H\}$ NMR (C_6H_6, δ) : 48.2 (s). Anal. Calcd.: C, 56.21; H, 6.54; P, 4.68. Found: C, 55.87; H, 6.72; P, 4.99. IR (pentane, v_{CO} , cm⁻¹): 2060 (s), 1989 (sh), 1980 (s), 1969 (vs), 1956 (sh).

Synthesis of Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂CH₂In(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃]. The synthesis of the compound was achieved by using 0.536 g (1.10 mmol) (Me₃CCH₂)₂InCH₂PPh₂, 0.439g (1.75 mmol) Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ and 20 mL benzene and the procedure described for the previous compound. Pale yellow crystals of Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂CH₂In(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃] (0.156g, 0.211 mmol, 19.2% based on (Me₃CCH₂)₂InCH₂PPh₂) were obtained by cooling a saturated pentane solution to -30 °C. Mp: 120 - 122 °C. ¹H NMR (C₆H₆, δ): 0.64 (s, 4H, -CH₂-), 1.03 (s, 18H, -CMe₃), 1.43 (d, J = 4.5 Hz, 2H, -CH₂P-), 1.68 (s, 9H, NMe₃). In addition there were low intensity lines at 0.86 and 1.26 ppm which are consistent with a pentane impurity but these lines were not conclusively identified. Anal. Calcd.: C, 52.63; H, 6.13.

Found: C, 52.24; H, 5.43. IR (pentane, v_{CO} , cm⁻¹): 2058 (m), 1990 (w), 1980 (w), 1955 (sh), 1943 (vs), 1935 (vs), 1870 (w, br).

Reaction of R₂MCH₂PPh₂ with Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ (M = Ga, R = CH₂CMe₃,

CH₂SiMe₃; M = In, R = CH₂SiMe₃) as Monitored by ³¹P NMR Spectroscopy. All

reactions were carried out in 10 mm NMR tubes by using the following procedure. Weighed quantities of reactants were added to the tube and then ~1.9 mL benzene was added by vacuum distillation. The tube was sealed by fusion and the ³¹P NMR spectrum recorded after the sample was held at room temperature for the time indicated. (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaCH₂PPh₂

(0.0402 g, 0.0907 mmol), Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ (0.0260 g, 0.104 mmol): 20 min: -10.2 (s,

(Me₃CCH₂)₂GaCH₂PPh₂); 38 h: -10.1 (s, 4.6, (Me₃CCH₂)₂GaCH₂PPh₂), 48.1(s, 1.0,

Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂CH₂Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃]. (Me₃SiCH₂)₂GaCH₂PPh₂ (0.0509 g, 0.118 mmol), Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ (0.0297 g, 0.118 mmol): 37 h: -10.2 (s, 4.7,

(Me₃SiCH₂)₂GaCH₂PPh₂), 46.3 (s, 1.0, Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂CH₂Ga(CH₂SiMe₃)₂•NMe₃]).

(Me₃SiCH₂)₂InCH₂PPh₂ (0.0596 g, 0.122 mmol), Cr(CO)₅NMe₃ (0.0319 g, 0.127 mmol): 38 h: -9.8 (s, 8.1, (Me₃SiCH₂)₂InCH₂PPh₂), 47.5 (s, 1.0,

Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂CH₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂•NMe₃]).

X-Ray Data Collection, Structure Determination and Refinement for $Cr(CO)_5[PPh_2CH_2Ga(CH_2CMe_3)_2 \cdot NMe_3]$. A yellow fragment of a single crystal of the title compound was mounted under argon in a thin walled glass capillary and transferred to the goniometer. The space group was determined to be either the centric $P\overline{1}$ or acentric P1. The subsequent solution and successful refinement of the structure was carried out in the centric space group $P\overline{1}$. A summary of data collection parameters is given in Table 2.

Least-squares refinement with isothermal parameters led to R=0.095. The phenyl and methylene hydrogen atoms were placed in calculated positions 0.95\AA from the bonded carbon atoms and allowed to ride on that atom with B fixed at 5.5 Å^2 . The methyl hydrogen atoms were located from a difference Fourier map and included with fixed contributions (B = 5.5 Å^2). Refinement of the nonhydrogen atoms with anisotropic temperature factors led to final values of R=0.038 and $R_W=0.039$.

Synthesis of NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl]. A flask was charged with 0.530 g (1.12 mmol) (Me_3SiCH_2)₂InPPh₂ and 0.400 g (1.12 mmol) $NEt_4Cr(CO)_5Cl^{16}$. After 30 mL benzene was transferred to the flask by vacuum distillation, the contents were warmed to room temperature and a light yellow solution formed within approximately 10 min. The mixture was stirred for 12 h and then the benzene was removed by vacuum distillation to leave a material which was a mixture of a light yellow oil and light yellow solid. This material was washed 4 times with 20 mL pentane. After the pentane was removed by vacuum distillation, the product was evacuated for 1 h to give a light yellow solid, 0.755 g (0.907 mmol, 80.9% yield) NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl]. Mp: 102 - 105 °C (glass), 110 - 120 °C (becomes translucent), 140 - 160 °C (decomp yellow to red glass). Anal. Calcd.: C, 47.63; H 6.30. Found: C, 47.53; H 6.33. Cryoscopic molecular weight, fw 832 (obsd molality, obsd mol wt, association): 0.0165, 4983, 5.99; 0.0142, 3652, 4.39; 0.0130, 2904, 3.49; 0.0177, 3536, 4.25; 0.0140, 2796, 3.36; 0.0127, 2238, 2.69. $^{1}{\rm H}$ NMR (${\rm C_6H_6}, \, \delta$): 2.15 (q, 8H, NCH₂), 0.44 (t, 12H, NCH₂CH₃), 0.36 (s, 18 H, SiCH₃), 0.13 (t, 4H, InCH₂). ¹³C NMR (C_6H_6 , δ): 226.14 (d, J = 7 Hz, trans CO), 220.21 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, cis CO), 54.01 (t, NCH_2CH_3), 8.66 (s, NCH_2CH_3), 4.61 (s, $SiCH_3$), $InCH_2$ not observed. ³¹P NMR (C_6H_6 ,

δ): -18.3 (s). IR (ν_{CO} , THF solution): 2065 (w), 2050 (m), 2035 (w, sh, impurity), 1937 (s, sh), 1927 (vs), 1890 (m, sh).

Reaction of NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl] with MeI. A 100 mL flask was charged with 0.555 g (0.667 mmol) NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl] and then excess MeI (15mL) was added by vacuum distillation. The resulting solution was stirred for 2.5 h at room temperature and then all volatile components were removed by vacuum distillation to leave a sticky, yellow solid. The sticky nature of this solid made it impossible to weigh the product. Thus, the solid was dissolved in benzene for spectroscopic characterization. ³¹P NMR (δ, ppm): 36.0 ppm (Lit. ¹⁴ Cr(CO)₅PPh₂Me, 35.0 ppm). IR (ν, cm⁻¹, THF): 2064 (m), 2035 (w), 1980 (w), 1947 (s, sh), 1940 (vs) 1885 (w). (Lit. ¹⁴ Cr(CO)₅PPh₂Me, 2064 (s), 1981 (vw), 1947 (sh), 1939 (vs) cm⁻¹).

Reaction of NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl] with HCl. A flask was charged with 0.833 g (1.00 mmol) NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl], and 25 mL of benzene. Then, anhydrous HCl (2.04 mmol) was condensed into the flask by using a liquid N₂ bath. The flask was warmed to room temperature and the resulting solution was stirred for 1/2 h. The SiMe₄ was separated by fractionation through two -78 °C traps and collected in a -196 °C trap. The amount of SiMe₄ was calculated from PVT measurements (1.64 mmol, 82% based on NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl]). The remaining solid was extracted 8 times with 20 mL pentane to give 0.260 g Cr(CO)₅PPh₂H (0.687 mmol, 68.7 % based on NEt₄Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂In(CH₂SiMe₃)₂Cl]). Mp: 56 - 59 °C (Lit. 13 55 - 65 °C). IR (δ, cm⁻¹, Nujol mull): 2330 (w), 2060 (s), 1982 (m), 1907 (s). (Lit. 13 Nujol mull): 2325 (w), 2068 (m), 1979 (m), 1937 (vs), 1900 (sh).

Synthesis of $NEt_4M_T(CO)_5[PPh_2M(CH_2SiMe_3)_2Cl]$ (M_T = Cr, Mo, W; M = Ga; $M_T = M_0$, W; $M = I_0$. All compounds were prepared by using the following procedure. A flask was charged with 1.0 mmol of the transition metal carbonyl chloride, 1.0 mmol of the main-group metal phosphide and 15 mL benzene. A clear solution formed approximately 10 min after the benzene was added to the reactants. After the solution was stirred for 24 h, the benzene was removed by vacuum distillation to leave a thick viscous oil or waxy solid which was resistant to crystallization. Some purification was achieved by dissolving the product in 20 mL of benzene and then adding 10 mL of pentane. This mixture was stirred for 1 h and then allowed to settle into two layers, a dark brown, lower layer and a light yellow upper layer. The light yellow upper layer was removed in the dry box by using a syringe whereas the brown, lower layer was discarded without further study. The solvent was removed by vacuum distillation to leave a viscous oil which turned into a sticky, waxy yellow material after continuous evacuation for 12 h. This product was characterized by IR and ³¹P NMR spectroscopy. The sticky nature of the products precluded a reliable estimate of mass and percent yield. Attempts to purify these compounds by thin layer or column chromatography resulted in apparent hydrolysis with formation of $M_T(CO)_5PPh_2H^{13}$ ($M_T = Cr, Mo, W$). $NEt_4M_T(CO)_5[PPh_2M(CH_2SiMe_3)_2Cl]$: Cr, Ga. ³¹P NMR (δ , ppm): -14.9; IR (ν , cm⁻¹, C₆H₆): 2060 (w), 2042 (w), 1940 (m), 1920 (vs), 1890 (s); IR (THF): 2060 (w), 2040 (w), 1940 (m), 1925 (vs), 1905 (s), 1895 (s,sh); Mo, Ga. 31P NMR: -25.8; IR (THF): 2075 (w), 2057 (m), 1950 (m,sh), 1930 (vs), 1893 (s); W, Ga. 31 P NMR: -42.4 (J_{W-P} = 156 Hz); IR (THF): 2070 (w), 2058 (m), 1940 (vs), 1925 (s,sh), 1908 (s), 1870 (m,sh); Mo, In. ³¹P NMR: -31.3; IR (THF): 2075 (w), 2060 (m), 1950 (m,sh), 1932 (vs), 1895 (m); In, W. 31P

NMR: $-49.0 (J_{W-P} = 166 \text{ Hz})$; IR (THF): 2070 (w), 2058 (m), 1940 (m,sh), 1920 (vs), 1890 (m).

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Supplementary Material Available. Complete tables of positional parameters, interatomic distances and angles, anisotropic thermal parameters and calculated positions for hydrogen atoms (pages). For ordering information see any current masthead page.

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Table 1. Important Interatomic Distances (Å) and Angles (°) for $Cr(CO)_{5}[PPh_{2}CH_{2}Ga(CH_{2}CMe_{3})_{2})\bullet NMe_{3}].$

(A) Bond distances (Å)

A	toms	Distance	Atoms	Distance
Ga Ga Cr Cr Cr P P O(2) O(4) N	N C(19) P C(2) C(4) C(6) C(13) C(2) C(4) C(29) C(31)	2.235(3) 2.005(3) 2.409(1) 1.854(4) 1.903(4) 1.812(3) 1.835(3) 1.150(4) 1.137(4) 1.476(5) 1.462(5)	Ga C(6) Ga C(24) Cr C(1) Cr C(3) Cr C(5) P C(7) O(1) C(1) O(3) C(3) O(5) C(5) N C(30)	2.027(3) 1.993(3) 1.889(4) 1.888(5) 1.843(4) 1.815(3) 1.134(4) 1.136(5) 1.147(4) 1.462(5)

(B) Bond angles (°)

Aton	s Angle	Atoms	Angle
N Ga C(6) Ga C(6) Ga P Cr C(1) Cr C(1) Cr C(2) Cr C(2) Cr C(2) Cr C(4) Cr C(4) Cr Cr P Cr P Cr P C(7) P Ga N C(30) N C(30) N Cr C(4 Ga C(6 P C(7	O(4) 176.8(P 129.8(1) N Ga C(24) 1) C(19) Ga C(24) 1) P Cr C(2) 2) P Cr C(3) 2) C(2) Cr C(3) 1) C(1) Cr C(4) 2) C(3) Cr C(4) 1) C(1) Cr C(5) 2) C(3) Cr C(5) 2) Cr P C(6) 1) C(6) P C(7) 1) C(6) P C(13) 2) Ga N C(29) 2) C(29) N C(31) 3) 4) 4) 4)	99.3(1) 100.4(1) 119.8(1) 87.5(1) 88.9(1) 89.7(2) 89.4(2) 92.7(2) 89.0(2) 91.4(2) 113.7(1) 106.8(2) 104.2(2) 112.2(2) 108.3(3) 108.3(3)

 $\begin{tabular}{ll} \textbf{Table 2.} & \textbf{Crystal Data and Summary of Intensity Data Collection and Structure Refinement} \\ & \textbf{for } \textbf{Cr(CO)}_5[PPh_2CH_2Ga(CH_2CMe_3)_2\bullet NMe_3]. \\ \end{tabular}$

molec. formula

 $CrGaPNC_{31}H_{43}O_{5}$

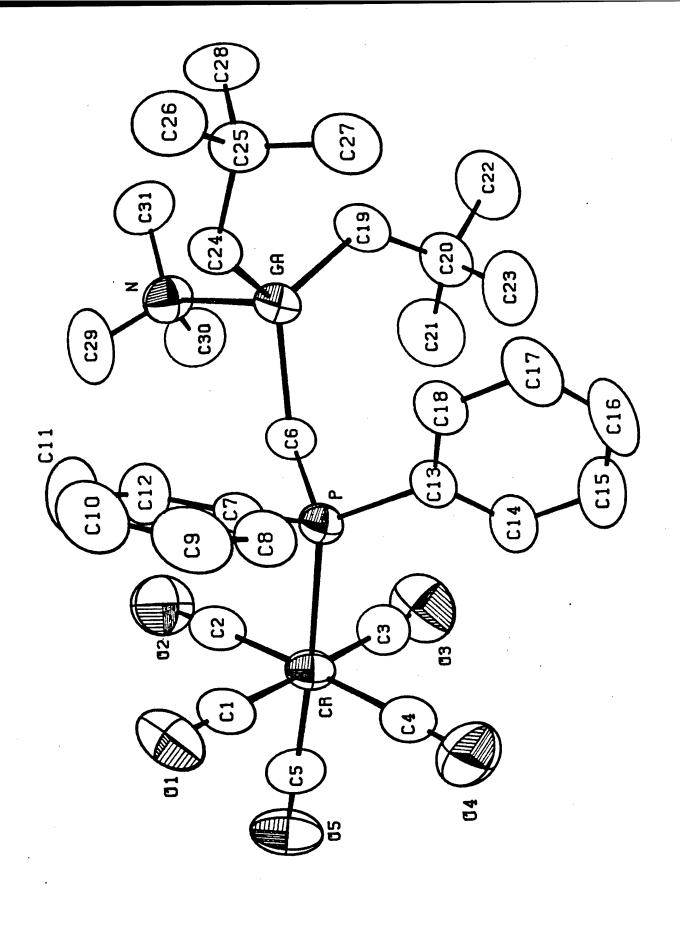
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crystal syst.	triclinic
space group	PΙ
Temp., °C	20
a, Å	10.768(8)
b, Å	10.875(8)
c, Å	15.155(8)
α, deg	90.65(5)
β, deg	104.66(6)
γ, deg	90.38(6)
$\mathring{\mathbf{A}}^3$	1716.8
Z	2
D _{calc} , cm ⁻¹	1.28
$\mu_{\rm calc}$, cm ⁻¹	11.2
Diffractometer/Scan	Enraf-Nonius Cad4/θ-2θ
Range of relative transm. factors, %	88/100
Radiation, graphite monochromator	Mo Kα ($\lambda = 0.71073$)

Table 2. (cont.)

Max. crystal dimensions, mm	$0.30\times0.40\times0.55$
Reflections measured	6002
2θ range, deg	$2 \le 2\theta \le 50$
Range of h, k, l	$+12, \pm 12, \pm 18$
Reflections observed $[F_o \ge 5\sigma(F_o)]$	4638
Computer programs	SHELX ¹⁷
Structure solution	MULTAN ¹⁸
$R = \Sigma F_o - F_c /\Sigma F_o $	0.038
R_{w}	0.039
Largest feature final diff. map	0.5e ⁻ Å ⁻³

Caption to Figure

Figure 1. Molecular geometry of Cr(CO)₅[PPh₂CH₂Ga(CH₂CMe₃)₂•NMe₃]. ORTEP diagram for non-hydrogen atoms and with hydrogen atoms omitted for clarity.



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